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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RECORDING PRESENTATION FOR

ON-DEMAND VIEWING OVER A COMPRIE RINETWO

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January 30, 2004

TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK DEFICE.

In response to the Office Action dated December 2 2003, applicants request that the above-identified application be amended as set forth below, and that the Examiner reconsider the application in view of these amendments and the Remarks that follow. The claims are amended as set forth below.



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- 1. (Previously Presented) A method for recording a live presentation including a predefined content portion that includes a plurality of presentation slides displayed in response to slide triggering events during the live presentation, and a live portion with live audio and/or visual content performed in conjunction with display of said plurality of presentation slides during the live presentation, the method comprising the steps of:
- (a) generating slide display commands corresponding to slide triggering events, for controlling display of said plurality of presentation slides during mayback of a recorded presentation;
- (b) automatically embedding the slide display commands into a display stream as the data stream is produced, the data stream comprising data corresponding to the importion of the presentation; and
- (c) saving the data stream with embedded slide distance commands to a file such that when the file is played, said live portion is reproduced and said plurality of presentation slides are displayed in substantial synchrony with said live portion as it is played, thereby replicating the live presentation.
- 2. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim lightherein the step of automatically embedding the slide display commends into the data stream comprises the steps of capturing the live portion as it is performed sturing the live presentation, and, encoding the live portion into a digital streaming format, thereby producing the live stream.
- 3. The method of Claim 2, wherein the step of automatically embedding the slide display commands into the data streams the slide display commands are generated.
- 4. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein the live presentation is performed using a local computer that generates the slade display commands in response to the slide triggering events; and wherein the live portion of the live presentation is captured and encoded into the data stream using an encoding computer linked in communication with the local computer, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) communicating the slide display commands from the local computer to the encoding computer; and
- (b) interleaving the slide display commands into the data stream as they are received by the encoding computer.

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- 5. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein the live visual content is captured as a plurality of video frames, each being encoded into the data stream with a corresponding time stamp; and wherein the slide display commands are interleaved into the data stream such that each slide display command has a relative time stamp based on its location in the data stream.
- 6. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein the plurality of video frames comprises a plurality of keyframes and deltaframes, further comprising the step of:
 - adding a plurality of time index values to the data stream (a)

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- indexing each of said plurality of keyframes to a corresponding time index value based (b) on the time stamp of the keyframe; and
- indexing each slide display command to a nearest preceding key time index value based on a time stamp of the slide display command;
- 7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the step generating slide display commands comprises the steps of:
 - capturing the slide triggering a entales, they occur during the live presentation; and
- generating slide display commands bases on the slide triggering events that are captured.
- Claim 1, wherein each presentation slide is associated with a 8. (Original) The method slide file that is saved to appredetermined location, and at least one of the slide display commands references the predetermined deation of seven sociated slide file.
- lousing mesented method for reproducing on a viewing computer a presentation that was previously present ad live, said wiewing computer having a display, said presentation including the redefined contemportion, with a plurality of presentation slides that were displayed in response to ship triggering events during the presentation when it was presented live, and a live portion comprising the audid and/or visual content performed in conjunction with display of said plurality of presentation; slides during the presentation when it was presented live, the method comprising the steps of
- (a) producing a recording of the presentation when it was presented live by performing the steps of:
- (i) producing a data stream comprising data corresponding to the live portion of the presentation:

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- (ii) generating slide display commands corresponding to said slide triggering events, each slide display command controlling display of an associated presentation slide when the recording is played: (iii)
- automatically embedding the slide display commands into the data stream while the data stream is being produced; and
 - saving the data stream to a data stream file that is accessible by the viewing computer; (iv)
- saving the predefined content portion to at least size resentation slide file that is (b) accessible by the viewing computer;
 - accessing the data stream file with the viewitte computer; (c)
- reproducing the live portion of the presentation on the display of the maying computer (d) by playing the data stream file;
- extracting the slide display commands from the data stream as the slide display commands are encountered while playing the data stream file;
- in response to each slide display timmand that is thated in the preceding step, **(f)** accessing data corresponding to its associated presentation slide with me viewing computer; and
- reproducing each of the plurality of presentation sides on the display of the viewing (g) computer as data corresponding to that presentation, slide is accessed by the viewing computer in the preceding step.
- wherein the viewing computer accesses the data (Original) sentation lides with a browser program. corresponding to
- (Original) The lighthod of said plurality of presentation slides with a corresponding HTML slide file that is saved to a predetermined location on a network accessible by the viewing computer and at least a portion of said slide display commands comprise a link to the predetermined location of an associated HTML slide file on the network, each of said HTML slide missibeing opened in the browser program in response to its associated slide display command, said browser program interpreting the HTML slide files to reproduce said plurality of presentation slides.
- 12. (Original) The method of Claim 11, wherein the link to each HTML slide files comprises an absolute reference to a location on the network at which the HTML slide file corresponding to the link is stored.

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- 13. (Original) The method of Claim 12, wherein each of the absolute references comprises a base portion identifying a base directory on a network resource in or below which the HTML slide files are stored, and a relative portion, identifying a location at which the HTML slide files are stored relative to the base directory, further comprising the steps of:
- passing the base portion to the browser program to indicate a location of the base allith_{s.} directory:
- removing the base portion from each of the links in shifted display commands so as **(b)** leave only the relative portion of the link; and
- using the relative portion of each link to the browser with gram to access the (c) HTML file associated with that link.
- 14. (Original) The method of Claim 10, wherein the brows program include having a primary frame, and a secondary frame, a media player screen appearing in the secondary frame, said presentation slide files being remanduced in the primarifframe, and said live visual content being reproduced in the media player screen
 - 15. (Original) The method of Claim 1 further than sing the steps of:
 - indicating a location at which the catalitream file stored to the viewing computer: (a)
 - directing the data stagem to the secondary frame; and **(b)**
- playing that data stream in the secondary frame after at least a portion of the data (c) stream file is received, to representation.
- previous linesenters, system for recording a live presentation including a predefined content portion having appreciation slides that are displayed in response to slide triggering the live presentation, and a live portion with live audio and/or visual content performed in signification will display of said plurality of presentation slides during the live presentation, the system comprising:
- a local computer having a memory in which a plurality of machine instructions are (a) stored, a user interface, and a processor coupled to the memory for executing the machine instructions:
- a presentation application program comprising a portion of the plurality of machine **(b)** instructions stored in the memory of the local computer, the presentation application program enabling:

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- (i) a presenter to change slides during the live presentation in response to slide triggering events entered through the user interface; and
 - (ii) slide display commands to be generated in response to the slide triggering events;
- (c) an audio capture subsystem that produces a digital audio signal corresponding to the live audio content; and
- (d) an encoding application module comprising a portion of the plurality of machine instructions stored in the memory of the local computer, said encoding application module being used for:
 - (i) encoding the digital audio signal into a data stream having a streaming data format;
- (ii) automatically embedding the slide distribution commands into the data stream while the digital audio signal is encoded into the data stream and the slide distribution in the slide dis
- (iii) saving the data stream to a data stream file is played, said audio content is reproduced, and said plurality of inscentation slides are displayed in substantial synchrony with said audio content is reproduced, and said plurality of inscentation slides are displayed in substantial synchrony with said audio content is reproduced, the live presentation.
- 17. (Original) The system of Claim 16, wherein the two portion of the live presentation further comprises live visual content, further including a video capture subsystem that produces a digital video signal corresponding the live visual content, whereby the digital video signal is encoded along with the digital audio signal multiple data speam, such that the audio and visual content is reproduced in synchronic when the data stream file is played.
- (Original) The system of Claim 17, wherein the live visual content is captured as a plurality of side frames, each being encoded into the data stream with a corresponding time stamp, and the slide display commands are interleaved into the data stream, such that each slide display command has a relative time stamp based on its location in the data stream.
- 19. (Original) system of Claim 18, wherein the plurality of video frames comprises a plurality of keyframes and deltaframes, and the encoding module further performs the functions of:
 - (a) adding a plurality of time index values to the data stream;
- (b) indexing each of said plurality of keyframes to a corresponding time index value, based on a timestamp of the keyframe; and

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- indexing each slide display command to a nearest preceding keyframe time index (¢) value, based on a time stamp of the slide display command.
- 20. (Previously Presented) A system for recording a live presentation including a predefined content portion having a plurality of presentation slides that are displayed in response to slide triggering events during the live presentation, and a live portion comprising live audio content performed in conjunction with display of said plurality of presentation slides during the live presentation, the system comprising:
- a local computer having a memory in which a murality with achine instructions are (a) stored, a user interface, and a processor coupled to the memory for instructions;
- **(b)** an audio capture subsystem that produc medio signal corresponding to the live audio content:
- an encoding computer having a memory in which a plurality of machine instructions for executing machine instructions, the are stored, and a processor coupled to the encoding computer being linked in communitation 📆 with local computer and the audio capture subsystem:
- a portion of the plu thy of machine instructions stored in the memory of the encoding computer comprising and module, execuliant of the encoding module performing the functions of:
- lio signal into a data stream having a streaming data format: and
 - saving the data stream file; and
- sentation application program comprising a portion of the plurality of machine instructions stored in the memory of the local computer, execution of the presentation application program enabling:
- (i) a presenter to change slides during the live presentation by entering slide triggering events through the user interface;
 - (ii) slide display commands to be generated in response to the slide triggering events; and
- (iii) communication of the slide display commands to the encoding computer, said slide display commands being automatically embedded into the data stream by the encoding module as the

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audio content as it is reproduced, thereby replicating the live presentation.

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28 29 30 slide display commands are received by the encoding computer and as the digital audio signal is encoded into the data stream, such that when the data stream file is played, said audio content is reproduced and said plurality of presentation slides are displayed in substantial synchrony with said

- 21. (Original) The system of Claim 20, wherein the live portion of the live presentation further comprises live visual content, further including a video capture subsystem that produces a digital video signal corresponding to the live visual content, said exprainvideo signal being encoded into the data stream by the encoding module executing on the effecting computer, such that the audio content and visual content are reproduced in synchrony when the data stream filling played.
- 22. (Previously Presented) The system of Flaim 21, wherein the live fisual content is captured as a plurality of video frames, each being encoded into the data stream with a corresponding time stamp, and wherein the slide display commands are interested into the data stream, such that each slide display command has a relative time stamp based on its location in the data stream.
- 23. (Original) The system of Claim Zall therein the plurality of rames comprises a plurality of keyframes and deltaframes, and the encoding mindule further performs the functions of:
 - (a) adding a plurality of time index values to the data stream;
- (b) indexing each of said plurality of keyframes to a corresponding time index value, based on a time stamp of the keyframe; and
- (c) indexing each slide display command to a nearest preceding keyframe time index value, based in a ring stamp of the slide display command.
- (Previously Resented) (Previously Resented)
- (a) generate slide display commands corresponding to said slide triggering events, for controlling display of said plurality of presentation slides during playback of a recorded presentation;

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- (b) automatically embed the slide display commands into a data stream as the data stream is produced, the data stream comprising data corresponding to the live portion of the presentation; and
- (c) save the data stream with embedded slide display commands to a file while automatically embedding the slide display commands into the data stream, such that when the file is played, said live portion is reproduced and such that said plurality of presentation slides are displayed in substantial synchrony with said live portion, thereby replicating the life presentation.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable medium of Cinin 24, wherein execution of the computer-executable instructions further cause the live portion to be captured as it is performed during the live presentation and to be encoded into a difficult streaming format.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The computer-read is medium of Claim 25, wherein the slide display commands are interleaved into the data stream as the slide display commands are generated.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The computer-readable mention of Claim 25, wherein the live visual content is captured as a plurality of video frames, each being embedd into the data stream with a corresponding time stamp, and the slide display command has a relative time stamp based in its location in the data stream.
- 28. (Previously Presented). The computer-readable medium of Claim 25, wherein the plurality of video frames comprises a plurality of keyframes and deltaframes, execution of the computer-executable instructions parallel appropriate to:
 - (a) illiminates to the data stream;
- index each said plumby of keyframes to a corresponding time index value, based on a timestimp of the keyframe, and
- (c) "linker each slide display command to a nearest preceding keyframe time index value, based on a time starting of the slide display command.
 - 29. (Previously Historical) The computer-readable medium of Claim 24, wherein:
 - (a) the slide triggering events are captured as they occur during the live presentation;
- (b) the slide display commands are generated based on the slide triggering events that are captured.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-29 remain pending in the present application. The claims are listed above for convenient reference, but have not been amended.

Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) Over Dyson in View of Craig

Claims 1-5, 7-13, 16-18, 21, 22, and 24-27 continue to be rejected ander 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dyson ("Mastering Microsoft Internet Information Server 4," Sybex, 1997), in view of Craig (U.S. Patent No. 6,108,687). In the interest of real state complexity of the issues for the Examiner to consider in this response, the followilly discussion focuses on amended independent Claims 1, 9, 16, 20, and 24, and the patentability of each remaining dependent claim is not necessarily separately addressed in detail. Applicants' decision not to discussible differences between the cited art and each dependent claim should not be considered as an immission that applicants concur with the Examiner that these dependent laims are not patentable over the disclosure in the cited references. Similar Mapplicants' decision not to discuss differences between the prior art and every claim element, or every comment made by the Examiner should not be considered as an admission that applicants congur with the Examiner's interpretation and assertions. Indeed, applicants believe that all of the claims in the present application patentably distinguish over Appecific there is not rejection of each dependent claim is not required, the references cited. since dependent claims attracted for at least the same reasons as the independent claims from which the dependent claims desemble with the depend

The Examination has taken official notice "that 'automatically embedding slide display commands into a data stream as the tria is produced' in a computer networking environment was well known in the art at the time the invention was made" (Final Office Action, pg. 16, lines 9-11). Applicants respectfully traverse the official notice for the reasons discussed below. According to the MPEP, "notice of trans beyond the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of such instant and unquested about the record which may be taken by the examiner network and the record which may be taken by the examiner must be 'capable of the Park the record which may be taken by the examiner network may be 'capable of the park the record which may be taken

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Applicants believe that the Examiner misunderstands the meaning of the claim element for which the Examiner takes official notice. In particular, the Examiner seems to focus on "automatic" versus "manual" aspects of the claim element. However, the Examiner should instead focus on the distinction between the predefined content portion and the live portion of the presentation. Specifically, slide display commands are defined in applicants' claims and specification as corresponding to slide trigger events that cause display of presentation slides that are included in a predefined content portion of a live presentation. This predefined point on of the live presentation is distinguished in the claims and in the specification from a live partion will live audio and/or visual content. Thus, the proper interpretation of applicants' classificanguage, as it is precisely written, is that the slide display commands corresponding to predefined presentation slides in a data steam, but the predefined presentation slides are into included in the data stream. The data stream is separate from the predefined presentation slights Further, applicants' claims and specification define the data stream as dimprising data corresponding to the live portion of the presentation, which is defined with live audit and visual content. Thus, applicants' claim element requires that the slide display commands, which control are predefined portion, must be automatically embedded into the data stream as the stream of data corresponding to the live audio and/or visual content is produced. This unique emphination that synchronizes the predefined portion with the live portion is certainly not capable of such instant and uniquestionable demonstration as to defy dispute.

Applicants also content that the officially noticed claim element is specific to the complex area of continuous data recaming it network communications, and should be demonstration through a recognized reference work if the claim between it is as well known in the art as the Examiner believes. As explained in applicants' specification, prior art slide triggering was either (1) included in a data stream together with the predefined content such as slides, or (2) manually inserted into a data stream with an editing too its reference separate predefined content (See Specification, pg. 5, lines 13-27). In the first case, the predefined content was not separate from the data stream, so the slide triggers can not be equated to applicants' slide display commands that correspond to a separate predefined content. Specifically, Dyson explains that "In a nutshell, you use the ASF Editor to synchronize images, audio, and scripts and to combine all these elements into a single asf file that you can then stream to your users with NetShow On-Demand Server" (emphasis added, Dyson, Chapter 8, Using the ASF Editor, pg. 1 of 7, 1st paragraph). In the second case, the slide triggers specified Web page

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29 30 URLs or specific file names, and there was no means to insert these specific identifiers into the data stream while the data stream was being generated. Instead, at the time of the invention, a user had to manually insert script commands into a preexisting data stream with a data stream editor (e.g., the ASF Editor). Even if the Examiner does not consider these detailed relationships to be esoteric or specific, the correct understanding of applicants' term "slide display command" (as a command that refers to separate presentation slides yet is automatically embedded into a data stream at the time a data stream is produced), is not capable of such instant and unquestionable demonstration through a recognized reference work as to defy dispute.

Automatically embedding slide display commandativitile producing the lists stream is clearly desirable, but the cited references do not disclose or suggest performing this elementary suggest any way for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the editor or other system to automatically embed URLs or other slide displaying mands into a data stream of live audio and/or video data while the live audio and/or video data being created as the data stream. Thus, this unique element could only have been spaced from applicants' specification and is not capable of such instant and unquestionable demonstration is to defy dispute. When interpreting the claim terms correctly, it is class that prima facility bullousness in not been established for achieving the integrated solution of applicants' claims. By misunderstanding the tellesslide disslay command, the Examiner apparently attempted to establish the state of the art at the time in the limit like by taking official notice of a crucial claim element that can not be found in the prior art. The MPEP warns that "[t]he facts constituting the state of the art 期lly subject to tix possibility af rational disagreement among reasonable [people] and are not amenable to the taking of such notice" (MPEP § 2144.03 A., citing In re Eynde, 480 F.2d 1364, 1370, 1787 USED, 470, 474 (CLEA 1973)).

Accordingly taking official notice of applicants' claim element is not warranted in this case, and the rejection under \$\frac{1}{2}\$ U.S.C. § 103(a) of each of the independent Claims 1, 9, 16, 20, and 24, which include this element, should be withdrawn. Because dependent claims are considered to include all of the elements of the independent claims and any intervening claims from which the dependent claims depend, the dependent claims are patentable for at least the same reasons as the independent claims. Thus, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) of dependent Claims 10-13, 17, 18, 21, 22, and 25-27 should also be withdrawn.

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Also, in response to applicants arguments it is applicants' previous amendment of September 15, 2003, the Examiner indicates that paragraphs [0065-0068] of Kleinents disclose the elements of a keyframe and indexing each slide display command to a nearest preceding keyframe time index. However, this portion of Klements was cited think last Office Action, and applicants directed the Examiner's attention to paragraph [0053] that explains the content of a locator annotation stream, which is separate from a video stream. Thus, paragraph [0053] defines some of the terminology used in paragraphs [0065-0068]. Specifically paragraph [0053] explains that "[e]ach annotation frame includes an event locator and event the marker . . . " (Klements, [0053]). However, the annotation frames of the annotation stream are not equivalent to applicants' keyframes or indices of applicants data, stream of live audio and privisual data, as defined by applicants claims and specification. Moreover, stranger of Klements do not disclose or suggest my killing frame in defined by applicants specification. As explained in applicants previous amendment, "[k] with mes are mades frames that comprise new data, while deltaframes comprise data corresponding to the difference between a current frame and its immediately preceding frame. Preferably, each slide display command will be indexed to a nearest preceding keyframe . . ." (Specification, page 7, lines 3-6). Immontrast, Flemets does not distinguish any different types of video frames. Klemets initial for each video frame (See Klements Figure 5). Consequently, Klements can simply provides a time if not possibly disclose or suggest indexing a slide display command to a nearest preceding keyframe time index value. Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 6, 14, 15, 19, 23, 27, and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

In consideration of the preceding Remarks, it should be evident that all claims in the present application define a novel and non-obvious invention. Since the application is in condition for

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allowance, the Examiner is asked to pass it to issue without further delay. Should any questions remain, the Examiner is asked to telephone applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

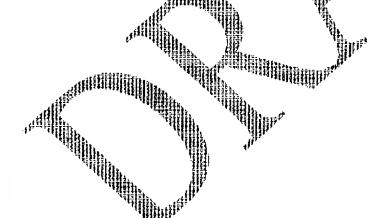
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